

GRANTED THE FRANCHISE.

The Council Approves the First-Street Line by a Vote of Seventeen to Three.

QUESTION WAS HOTLY CONTESTED,

Speeches Being Made by Messrs. B. B. Mumford and John Skelton Williams, A Large Number of Interested Property Owners Were Present.

The Common Council last night, after a session of less than two hours, granted the franchise to the Richmond Traction Company to run a line down First street from Broad to Cary, in Cary street westwardly to Pine, a single-track loop from Pine and Cary streets, in Cary street westwardly to Beech, thence down Beech to Beaver, to Cherry, to China, and thence northwardly in Pine street to Cary, to there connect with the double track.

The question was hotly debated on both sides, the property-owners in that section being represented by Hon. B. B. Mumford and Judge L. L. Lewis, while Mr. John Skelton Williams, president of the traction company, looked after the interests of his corporation. A number of persons were present in the Council chamber, many of them being personally interested in the matter and others being attracted by curiosity. Among those who occupied seats outside the railing were Messrs. John S. Williams, L. L. Lewis, B. B. Mumford, A. B. Gilligan, R. J. Williams, Everett Walker, Jacob Reinhardt, Carter Branch, Frank D. Sieger, Rev. H. F. Kerr, and others.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

The following members were present: Moses, Caskie, Briggs, Cottrell, Bloomberg, Elsie, Foster, Harrison, Hawkins, Lawler, Miller, Mosby, Noble, Pollock, Tanner, Wallerstein, Walker, Williams, Witte, Woody, 2d.

ROBBERY IN WILSON.

Dwellings and Stores Entered by Thieves. Work in the Black District.

WILSON, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special.—Robbers are taking the day here now, only last week the safe at the Atlantic Coast Line depot was cracked, and a great robbery of private dwellings took place.

Last night Edgar Gay's store, one of the largest stores in the city, was entered by robbers, and goods amounting to several hundred dollars worth were stolen. It is supposed that it was done by the same gang. There seems to be a regularly organized company that makes these raids about once a week.

The negro campaign club was addressed last by Messrs. Scoulard and Mahry, two big black negroes from Eastern Carolina, quite an enthusiastic McKinley demonstration was the result.

The North Carolina negroes will cast almost a solid vote for the Republican ticket. They are working hard to get a congressman from the Second district of this State. It is known as the black district. Previous to the election of Hon. T. A. Woodward, it was represented in Congress by Cheatham, a negro.

The most interesting campaigning in our State is in the Fourth and Fifth districts. The contests between the candidates is being waged in a joint canvass. The contestants are Poor (Democrat) and Strong (Republican) in the Fourth, and Kitchen (Democrat) and Settle (Republican) in the Fifth. These joint canvasses are arousing a great deal of enthusiasm.

At every speaking a great deal of enthusiasm is exhibited. The chances are very good for Poor; those of Kitchen are not so good. But the fusion of Republicans and Democrats on Kitchen will give him a very good running chance.

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Whose Harness and Pitchfork?

James Dickerson colored was arrested yesterday on a suspicious character and was locked up at the Second Police Station. He had in his possession some harness and a pitchfork, which are at the station.

Marriage of Miss Gertrude Rives.

Colonel and Mrs. Alfred Landor Rives, of Columbia, Va., have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Gertrude, to Mr. Allen Potts, of this city, which will take place on Saturday, October the 13th, at 12 o'clock noon. Among the guests invited are the members of the family.

OBITUARY.

Frank W. Stevenson.

Mr. Frank W. Stevenson, one of the best known machinists in the city, died at his residence, No. 21 south Pine street, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the sixteenth year of his age. Mr. Stevenson had been ill for some time, but his death is a great shock to his many friends, who highly appreciated his sterling qualities and kindliness of heart. He leaves a wife and family to mourn their loss.

The funeral will take place from the residence this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

If a door is hung to swing one way, there is no use trying to push it the other way.

There is a right and a wrong way to do things. Many thousands of women in America would like to be well.

They are making efforts to get well, but they are making them in the wrong way.

They are taking medicines prepared by incompetent nurses, or inexperienced physicians. They are daily submitting to examinations and local treatment, for which there is generally no necessity. They are growing steadily worse instead of steadily better.

There is no reason why almost every woman should not be well and strong.

Over forty years ago Dr. R. J. Pierce failed an eminent and successful specialist in the treatment of the diseases of women, discovered a wonderful specific for woman's diseases that has since become world-famous as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It cures all forms of female weakness and disease. Its effect is immediately perceptible in the better feeling of the patient. It forces out impurity, soothes the inflammation that is always present in disorders of this kind, promotes regularity, and stops debilitating drains on the system. It cures nervousness, irritability, sleeplessness, lack of appetite, lack of vitality.

GREAT MEDICAL BOOK FREE.

Every woman should have a copy of Doctor Pierce's Complete Medical Advice.

It is a handsomely illustrated volume of a thousand pages, several chapters of which are devoted to the reproductive physiology of women. It is written in plain language and contains over three hundred illustrations and colored plates. Until recently, it was sold at a dollar and a half, but now it is only \$1.00.

It reaches six hundred and eighty-eight pages, nearly all of which have been spent by the author in the preparation of the book.

Another copy is offered free to any woman who sends twenty-five cents in one-cent stamps to cover the cost of mailing to World's Dispensary Medical Association, 365 Main Street, New York. The book is bound in cloth binding and is described as "substantial French cloth binding" and "shad tea cutts, thirty-two centia."

The discussion having been closed, Mr.

HURRICANE HERE

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Bloomberg offered an amendment to the ordinance to the effect that if the laying of any tracks mentioned in the ordinance necessitated a change of the grade of any street or if any changes should be made the company should bear all the expense. This amendment was unanimously adopted.

SEVENTEEN TO THREE.

Before a vote was taken on the ordinance, Mr. Caskie stated that in view of the fact that he was personally interested in this matter, he wished to be excused from voting. This privilege was exercised by him and also to Colonel C. J. Jones for a similar reason. A vote was then taken and the ordinance adopted by 17 to 3. The record was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Briggs, Cottrell, Bloomberg, Elsie, Harrison, Hawkins, Lawler, Miller, Mosby, Noble, Pollock, Tanner, Wallerstein, Walker, Williams, Witte, Woody, 2d.

Noes—Messrs. Foster, Bountree Stokes 3.

As soon as the vote was announced the Council adjourned, and the friends of Mr. Williams congratulated him heartily on his victory. The ordinance will now have to be passed upon by the Board of Aldermen before it can be regarded as valid, but from the large vote in its favor in the Council, there seems little doubt but that it will be agreed to.

Friends' Quarterly Meeting.

The quarterly meeting of the Friends' Society will be held in this city next Sunday at the Friends' meeting-house, on Clay street above First. A meeting of the ministers and elders will be held Saturday afternoon. Sunday will be given up to religious exercises, and business will be transacted on Monday. There will be a number of ministers here, among them Revs. David Sampson, of North Carolina, and Howard M. Hope, of Loudoun county. A number from Baltimore will also be present.

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ON BROAD STREET.

On the side streets the damage, so far as fences and trees was concerned, was even greater than on the main thoroughfares. In many cases it was almost impossible to get from Main to Broad and the fear of live electric wires made traveling both difficult and dangerous. On Broad street, the wind got a full sweep, and great damage was done. A huge plate-glass window in the Masonic Temple was smashed to pieces in the place which was shared by a window in the place occupied by the Standard Sewing-Machine Company.

The store of Manly J. Hanes, at the east Broad street, was totally damaged, the sign being blown off, and the roof injured to a considerable extent. Craig's art store was also damaged, a window being blown out, and his art studio blown out and fluttered. Lower down on Broad street the damage was not so great, being confined chiefly to trees uprooted and the iron ornamentals disarranged.

Clay street and Leigh street, almost from end to end, sustained considerable damage. Trees were uprooted, fence posts blown down, and the tin roofs many roofs rose in the air and soared away, like so many great birds landing squarely away, with a resounding clang.

Ford's law building, on Ninth street between Franklin and Grace, the lower part of which is occupied by the State Republican headquarters, was partially wrecked, the skylight being taken up and deposited in the Capitol Square, one in the building was injured, however.

Moore's Cafe, on Bank street, between Ninth and Tenth, shared a similar fate.

All of its skylight was taken out as cleanly as the job could have been done by workmen and bricks from the walls and chimneys rained down like hail all around the building.

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